



Dear XXXXXXX,

What a a year this has been. I know that it was disappointing for you to have the season-ending injury and with everything that you have accomplished this year - I know your heart really wanted to be with the team and on the field all the way to the end. It's hard to believe what all has transpired this year - from being champs, a short offseason, a lot of games, setting records individually, pre-engagement counseling, being together in Toronto again - whew!

I did want to say thank you XXXXXXX, too, for our time together this year (and XXXXXXX too) in the various ways that you did - attending Bible Studies and pre-game prayers, coming over for dinners, and more. I hope, too, that the pre-engagement counseling was helpful for you. I know that it didn't end as you might have imagined, but I pray that in the years to come when you look back on that time that you will be thankful to God for what He showed you about yourself and about XXXXXXX, and about the kind of person that He intends for you to marry.

It has also been good to see your relationship with XXXXXXX and XXXXXXX continue to blossom and grow and I pray, for your sake, that XXXXXXX will be able to be here next year and in a role that is meaningful and purposeful for him. Those kinds of friendships are hard to find and I praise God that He has given you such a meaningful friend.

I also want to make sure that you know that if you want to speak any more about XXXXXXX's death - that I would like to process that with you and I am available. You have had some significant losses of teammates. I believe that it is important to process these things so that we don't allow compounded grief to impact us.

XXXXXXX, I know the offseason will be busy with weddings and family plans. May you enjoy all the different moments and friendships and relationships and especially the rest. If you need anything please let me know. May you heal and recover, and not be anxious for anything which may or may not be - but trust in the Lord and in His mighty power. I look forward to serving you next year.

Blessings,

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